

**Yellow Medicine County Board Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2022**

Chairman Ron Antony called this regular meeting of the Yellow Medicine County Board to order at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Glen Kack and John Berends also present. Also present were County Administrator Angie Steinbach, County Attorney Mark Gruenes and HR Manager Ashley Soine. Commissioner Greg Renneke was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda 09-13-22-01 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the agenda with the following change: remove Closed Session for Union Negotiations from the Regular Agenda. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Consent Agenda 09-13-22-02 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Berends to approve the consent agenda items as follows: August 23, 2022 County Board meeting minutes; SSTS Program Grant Agreement; hiring of Matt Morris as the Parks Coordinator/Equipment Operator, his salary will be grade 8, step 5, his start date is September 26, 2022; bridge inspections for asbestos and regulated waste assessment; hiring of Wayne DeBlieck as a part-time Deputy Sheriff, his salary will be grade 12, step 1, his start date is TBD. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Citizen Comments None

Approval of Disbursements/Review Auditor's Warrants 09-13-22-03 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the commissioner warrants for the following amounts: \$110,181.95 Ditch Fund, \$82,470.32 Revenue Fund, \$308,945.22 Road & Bridge Fund, \$67,054.46 Human Services Fund; and acknowledged review of the Auditor's warrants. An itemized listing of all warrants over \$2,000 and an aggregate total for warrants under \$2,000 are published on the County website under the Finance & Administration Department. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Commissioners' Report Commissioner Kack reported on County Ditch 8, Area II/RCRCA and LQP Yellow Bank Watershed. Commissioner Berends reported on County Ditch 8, Primewest, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission orientation and Yellowstone Trail. Commissioner Antony reported on County Ditch 8, 6W Community Corrections, MCIT and One Watershed One Plan.

Administrator Steinbach's report included meetings attended, current projects being worked on and future meetings to attend. Administrator Steinbach's report is included in the Board packet.

Regular Agenda

RaeAnn Keeler-Aus, Human Services Director and Ashley Soine, HR Manager discussed the Minnesota Merit System. The consensus was to move forward with the process to exit the Minnesota Merit System.

Kerry Netzke, RCRCA, gave a presentation.

City of Hanley Falls Utility Easement Request 09-13-22-04 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve the Utility Easement for the City of Hanley Falls. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Chris Balfany, Land and Resource Management, gave an update.

The board recessed at 10:55 a.m.

The board reconvened at 11:05 a.m.

Dan Moravetz and Jeff Bush, Highway Department, gave an update.

Subordination of AgBMP Assessment Lien 09-13-22-05 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve subordination of AgBMP assessment lien to a mortgage by FM Bank for Randy and Bobbi Peterson Motion carried with all voting in favor.

UMVRDC RLF Advisory Board Appointment 09-13-22-06 Motion by Commissioner Kack and seconded by Commissioner Berends to appoint Carie Driessen to the Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission Revolving Loan Fund Advisory Board. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

The Board discussed the November 8th Board Meeting date. The consensus was to leave the date, time and location as is.

Truth in Taxation 09-13-22-07 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to set the Truth in Taxation meeting for December 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Preliminary Levy 09-13-22-08 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to increase the 2023 net tax levy by 4.77% for a total preliminary 2023 net levy of \$12,346,555 and a gross levy of \$12,926,500. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Administrator Steinbach discussed the Employee Recognition Event, Fairgrounds Property Management Services and the Sentencing to Serve program with the Board.


Dental Plan 09-13-22-09 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to approve moving to a self-insured dental plan for 2023. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Other Business None

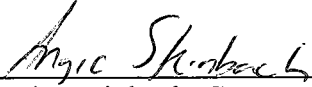
Informational None

Review of Upcoming Meetings and Events The Board reviewed upcoming meetings and events.

Adjourn 09-13-22-10 Motion by Commissioner Berends and seconded by Commissioner Kack to adjourn at 12:27 p.m. Motion carried with all voting in favor.

Witness:


Ron Antony, Chair

Attest:


Angie Steinbach, County Administrator